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LOK SABHA

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HIGHER EDUCATION IN REMOTE AREAS
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Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has formulated any scheme for imparting higher education in remote areas of the country including Uttar Pradesh;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) the total number of students benefited as a result thereof;and

(d) the steps being taken by the Government for the poor students belonging to economically weaker sections,and those living in the remote areas?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT(SMT. D. PURANDESWARI)

(a) to (d): The Government has proposed to set up one model college each in 374 identified educationally backward district having Gross Enrolment Ratio(GER) in higher education less than the national average.Of these,41 educationally backward districts are in Uttar Pradesh.In addition,the University Grants Commission (UGC) has a separate scheme for providing financial assistance to Universities and Colleges located in remote/hilly/border areas.